

ADOPTED

Resolution No. 2010-22

Endorsing the Route 96 Corridor Management Study

WHEREAS, pursuant to General Municipal Law Section 119-o, the County of Tompkins, the City of Ithaca, the Towns of Ithaca and Ulysses, and the Ithaca-Tompkins County Transportation Council entered into an agreement to complete a corridor management study of New York State Route 96, and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Route 96 Corridor Management Study was to evaluate traffic impacts associated with development along the corridor from the Village of Trumansburg to the junction of Routes 96 and 13, and to consider techniques that could be implemented to mitigate those impacts, and

WHEREAS, a survey of residents in the Route 96 Corridor was conducted, focus group meetings with businesses/institutions in the Corridor were held, two area-wide public meetings regarding the Route 96 Study were held at the Museum of the Earth in 2008, and comments received from the public participation process were factored into the Route 96 Corridor Management Study reports, and

WHEREAS, a consultant team was hired and completed Technical Reports # 1, 2, and 3 with technical information, analysis, and recommendations, and

WHEREAS, the study quantifies existing and projected traffic and levels of service, evaluates how a nodal development pattern with a mix of uses, including enhanced transit opportunities, improved pedestrian and bicycle connections and systems, better management of access within the Corridor, traffic-calming measures, infrastructure improvements, and zoning and land-use modifications where applicable, could mitigate the impacts of this traffic, and examines the option of promoting development nodes in the vicinity of Cayuga Medical Center and the Hamlet of Jacksonville, and

WHEREAS, Draft Technical Report #4 (dated 4/6/09) was prepared by the representatives of the Route 96 Corridor Technical Review Committee, including representatives from the participating organizations, and draws from the three earlier technical reports to develop an inter-municipal strategy for mitigating the impacts of traffic by promoting a nodal pattern of development in the Corridor and utilizing related strategies, and

WHEREAS, the study concludes that a nodal development pattern would offer many advantages in terms of reduced traffic, traffic management, and maintaining the quality of life within the corridor, and

WHEREAS, the principles of the Route 96 Corridor Management Study are consistent with those of the Tompkins County Comprehensive Plan, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, on recommendation of the Planning, Development, and Environmental Quality Committee, That the Tompkins County Legislature hereby accepts the Route 96 Corridor Management Study,

RESOLVED, further, That the Tompkins County Legislature endorses the Route 96 Corridor Management Study and the principles therein and urges that it be used as a planning tool by the participating organizations as they develop and modify their municipal comprehensive plans,

RESOLVED, further, That the Tompkins County Legislature fully supports continuation of the

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cooperative planning efforts begun during the Study among participating organizations.

SEQR ACTION: TYPE II-18

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Pamela Mackesey, Member
SECONDER:	Carol Chock, Member
AYES:	Burbank, Chock, Dennis, Luz Herrera, Kiefer, Lane, Mackesey, McBean-Clairborne, McKenna, Proto, Pryor, Robertson, Robison, Shinagawa, Stein

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) ss:
COUNTY OF TOMPKINS)

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution adopted by the Tompkins County Legislature on February 16, 2010.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said Legislature at Ithaca, New York, on March 11, 2010.

Catherine Cora, Clerk
Tompkins County Legislature